

MINUTES
OF THE
DOMINION DENTAL
COUNCIL



HELD JUNE 7th and 8th, 1928

IN THE

KING EDWARD HOTEL

TORONTO

MINUTES

OF THE

Meeting of the Dominion Dental Council held June 7 and 8, 1928,
in the King Edward Hotel, Toronto.

Present—

Dr. Geo. K. Thomson, Nova Scotia.

Dr. H. A. Croll, Manitoba.

Dr. F. E. Smallwood, Prince Edward Island.

Dr. A. D. A. Mason, Ontario.

Dr. J. M. Magee, New Brunswick.

Dr. F. T. Allan, Alberta.

Dr. W. D. Cowan, Saskatchewan.

All delegates presented credentials from their respective Provinces. President Dr. Thomson presented the following message:

Dominion Dental Council,

Report of the President, June, 1928,

Mr. Vice-President in General.

Mr. President and Gentlemen:—

Since our last meeting in 1926 at Halifax, Nova Scotia, several changes in the personnel of representatives on the Council have occurred, and I have pleasure in extending to the new members a hearty welcome, and hope that our relations may be as harmonious and pleasant as those which have existed ever since the organization of the Council. In expressing my regret at the retirement of Drs. McGuire and Clay, I wish to place on record our appreciation of the excellent service they have rendered the profession of Canada during their membership in the Council.

It is with regret that I note the absence of our dear old friend, Dr. J. S. Bagnall, one of the Charter members of this Council, who has been present at every meeting since its organization in 1905. Dr. Bagnall's health, which recently has not been good, prevents his attendance at this time, and I suggest that a resolution of sympathy and hope for his return to health be adopted and forwarded to him by wire. The alternative representative for Prince Edward Island is Dr. Smallwood, and I have pleasure in introducing and welcoming him to our Council.

Doubtless you are aware of the successful organization of the Canadian Dental Association. In this connection I wish to express the appreciation of this Council of the excellent and successful efforts of the delegates representing the Provinces.

At the last meeting of our Council a committee of our Executive, with Dr. Clay as Chairman, was appointed for the purpose of discussing with the members of the Dental profession in Quebec and British Columbia, the possibility of these Provinces electing representatives to the D. D. C. and becoming members of this organization, thus promoting a plan of Federal Incorporation similar to that of the Canadian Medical Association and Dominion Medical Council.

Considerable correspondence was conducted by this committee and conferences with representatives of the Dental Profession in Quebec were held by the Alberta representative, Dr. Clay, and your President, Dr. Clay conferring also with the representatives of the Dental profession in B.C., who agreed that it would be desirable to wait for the re-organization of the C. D. A. and this meeting of the D. D. C. before taking further action. A recent conference of your President and the representatives of B.C. to the C. D. A. indicates that at the present time British Columbia is not inclined to discuss the matter of membership and representation in the D. D. C. Quebec, however, while not inclined to consider favorably membership in this organization, has under consideration an interchange of licenses with Provinces which require qualifications similar to those required in that Province.

Considerable correspondence, some of which appeared in the Dominion Dental Journal and Oral Health, has informed the profession generally of the respective object of the D. D. C. at the C. D. A., and your President did not consider it necessary or desirable to add anything to the facts and opinions contained therein.

I am pleased to report that both Universities of Alberta and Dalhousie, Nova Scotia, have adopted a standard of education equivalent to the other Dental Schools in Canada, and that we now have a uniform curriculum of as high a standard as any country in the world. Dalhousie University has under consideration a course with summer sessions which is considered equivalent to the present six-year course, and the recognition of which should be considered by this Council.

A resolution of the Board of Ontario with regard to matriculation requirements is also submitted for your consideration.

As a free and open discussion of educational standards was considered desirable your President requested Dean Secombe, President-Elect of the American Association of Dental Schools, to arrange a meeting of representatives of our Canadian Schools this week, but time did not permit, and I now recommend that we invite representatives of these schools to meet with us today or tomorrow for this purpose.

Arrangements with the Nova Scotia Dental Board whereby the examiners of the D. D. C. will conduct the examinations for that body have been completed, but will not become effective until 1930. Correspondence with the Attorney of the Board is submitted.

Suggestions with regard to amendments to our Constitutions and By-laws of a radical nature will also be submitted.

Conferences with Dental educationalists of the United States indicate much interest in and approval of Canadian Dental Education and the fact that we have a uniform standard in our schools. Correspondence in this connection is also submitted.

As Chairman of the Committee of Dental Education of the conference of Canadian Universities I presented reports to that

body in 1927 and 1928 and resolutions of approval were adopted by that body. Reports were also presented to the Canadian Dental Association and the Nova Scotia Dental Association.

Correspondence with the Board of Regents of the State of New York is herewith submitted.

Doubtless matters of interest not mentioned in this report will be reported by the Secretary-Treasurer.

In closing I wish to express my appreciation of the honour you conferred on me two years ago and the co-operation I have received. If I have apparently failed in fulfilling my duties, such failure was certainly not due to lack of interest. I was personally requested by the President of the C. D. A. to postpone further action with regard to the membership of Quebec and British Columbia until after re-organization of the C. D. A., and I complied with his request.

(Signed) GEO. K. THOMSON.

Dr. Thomson left the chair while his report was being submitted. Second Vice-President Dr. Croll in the Chair.

Moved by Dr. Thomson, seconded by Dr. Allan, that the President's report be received. Carried.

An informal discussion on the above report then followed.

Dr. John Clay of Calgary, Chairman of the Committee appointed to negotiate with Quebec and British Columbia relative to the suggested entry of these Provinces into the D. D. C. appeared before the Council and verbally reported upon the activities of the Committee.

Moved by Dr. Cowan, seconded by Dr. Croll, that the President be authorized to invite representatives of the various Dental Schools of Canada to meet with us this evening at nine o'clock. (See Clause 9 of the President's Report.) Carried.

A resolution passed by the Board of Directors of the Dental Faculty of Toronto University was submitted. It read as follows:

May, 1928.

"Moved by Drs. Irwin and Davidson, 'That in view of the various standards of Dental requirements on the different Provinces of Canada and the difficulty of unifying them, the D. D. C. be asked to consider the advisability of considering the D. D. C. in relation to the Dental Credentials only, and requesting the D. D. C. certificate holders to meet the matriculation requirements of the Provinces concerned before registration of the D. D. C. certificates in that Province.'"

Lengthy discussion followed this but action was deferred until after the session of the Educational Conference above provided for.

Moved by Dr. Croll, seconded by Dr. Magee, that the wire of sympathy be sent to Dr. Bagnall. (See President's Report, section 2.) Carried.

Moved by Dr. Allan, seconded by Dr. Croll, that we adjourn to meet tonight at nine o'clock. Carried.

GEORGE KERR THOMSON,

President.

W. D. COWAN,

Secretary.

Meeting of the Dominion Dental Council held June 7, 1928, at nine o'clock. All representatives present, Dr. Thomson in the Chair. The Secretary reported that pursuant to orders he had sent a telegram to Dr. Bagnall, which read as follows:—

"Dominion Dental Council in session learns with regret of your illness and expresses a hope that you will have a speedy recovery. We miss you very much, it being your first absence in twenty-four years."

Dr. Allan reported having wired Dr. A. B. Mason of Edmonton regarding the requirements of the Alberta University. His wire to Dr. Mason read:—

"Has or when will the University of Alberta adopt the six years for Dentistry? Dalhousie has done so. Signed, F. T. Allan."

The answer to this read:—

"University of Alberta has six years from Junior Matriculation, Grade 12 as pre-dental year, or first year Arts and five years Dentistry."

President Thomson reported that he had sent requests to all those asked to be present at the Dental Education Conference.

Dean Seccombe was present, representing the Toronto University, and he was invited to take part in the discussion.

Dr. Mason moved seconded by Dr. Smallwood, that clause B, of section 19 of the Constitution be amended by adding thereto the following:—

"After August 30, 1928, satisfactory proof to show that the applicant is a bona-fide student of Dentistry in a recognized Dental School which requires a six-year course is interpreted to mean six calendar years beyond Arts Matriculation based on High School Graduation. These six years must be either upon the one-five or the two-four plan."

Dr. Seccombe addressed the Council at length chiefly on the question of Matriculation.

Dr. Stanley Bagnall, of Halifax, having entered in response to the invitation of the President, was granted the privilege of the floor. Discussion on the proposed amendment was deferred.

Dr. Thomson brought up the question of summer sessions as an equivalent to one year of the four-two or the five-one plan. He asked Dr. Seccombe for his opinion. Dr. Seccombe addressed the Council on the subject, expressing the opinion that it would not be satisfactory.

Moved by Dr. Allan, seconded by Dr. Smallwood, that a vote of thanks be tendered to Drs. Seccombe and Bagnall. Carried.

Drs. Seccombe and Bagnall then retired from the Council room.

GEORGE KERR THOMSON,

President.

W. D. COWAN,

Secretary.

Meeting of the Dental Council held in the King Edward Hotel, June 8, 1928.

All representatives were present, with Dr. Thomson in the Chair.

Minutes of the previous session were adopted.

The correspondence covering the criticisms of Examination together with criticisms on papers as ordered by the Council at its Halifax session in 1926 was read.

Dr. Bagnall's letter suggested the advisability of revising the methods of conducting the Examinations and abolishing the progressive system.

Moved by Dr. Mason, seconded by Dr. Allan, that we go into a committee of the whole to discuss the President's report.

Council went into a committee of the whole with Dr. Croll in the Chair. Dr. Croll, from the committee, reported that the committee recommended that the President's report be amended by deleting the words after "This" where it occurs in the fifth line; the whole of paragraph nine to be changed to read: "I am pleased to report that since the Universities of Alberta and Dalhousie have adopted the high standard of Dental Education we have now throughout Canada, a curriculum of as high a standard as any country in the world."

Moved by Dr. Croll, seconded by Dr. Magee, that the President's report be adopted as amended. Carried.

GEORGE KERR THOMSON,

W. D. COWAN,

President.

Secretary.

Meeting of the Dominion Dental Council held June 8, 1928.

All representatives were present, with Dr. Thomson in the Chair. The minutes of the last session were adopted.

Moved by Dr. Cowan, seconded by Dr. Mason, that clause B, Section 14, page 10, of the Constitution be amended by adding the words, "One of the agreeing provinces of" between the words "In" and "Canada" where they occur in the first line thereof, and further adding to the clause the words, "And who produce evidence of Matriculation qualification equal to that required from applicants for class A Examination."

This being an amendment to the Constitution a vote was taken.

Prince Edward Island	Yes
Nova Scotia	Yes
New Brunswick	Yes
Ontario	Yes
Manitoba	Yes
Saskatchewan	Yes
Alberta	Yes

Motion declared carried and Constitution amended accordingly.

Moved by Dr. Mason, seconded by Dr. Smallwood, that the incoming Executive be a committee empowered to continue negotiations with Quebec and British Columbia and to take whatever

further action is necessary in regard to the furthering of the interests of the agreeing provinces in the D. D. C. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Magee, seconded by Dr. Mason, that all supplementary examinations be discontinued and that all applicants who have failed in the regular examinations be required to take the regular examination. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Allan, seconded by Dr. Magee, that caluse A, Section 30, of the Constitution be deleted and the following be substituted therefor:

"In case any applicant under classes A and D fails to make the required percentage on any paper or papers, not exceeding two, upon demand he shall be given a supplemental examination on the date of the regular examination, the fee for such supplemental being Ten Dollars per paper."

This being an amendment to the Constitution a vote was taken by provinces, which resulted as follows: Carried unanimously.

The motion was declared carried and the Constitution amended accordingly.

The Secretary presented the result of the three examinations held since the last meeting.

Moved by Dr. Croll, seconded by Dr. Smallwood, that the Secretary's report be received and entered into the minutes. Carried.

It read as folows:—

Statement of examinations held.....

A.—September, 1926

23 candidates wrote on 52 subjects.....

5 passed in final examination.....

2 failed in anatomy.....

B.—June, 1927

77 candidates wrote on 390 subjects.....

15 passed final examination.....

13 failed as follows:

2 bacteriology.....

1 anatomy.....

4 physiology.....

6 histology.....

C.—September, 1927

30 candidates wrote on 130 subjects.....

2 passed final examination.....

5 failed as follows:

1 chemistry.....

1 anatomy.....

3 physiology.....

1 histology.....

D.—Supplemental Examination, November, 1927.....

1 candidate wrote on 4 subjects.....

Passed in all.....

such

Moved by Dr. Allan, seconded by Dr. Croll, that the Secretary be empowered to make adjustments in the examination papers as in his opinion are advisable. Carried.

The President submitted a letter from the Secretary of the Dalhousie Dental Faculty indicating that he had found it necessary to cancel an examination certificate after it was discovered that the applicant was plucked in the University examinations in the second year. This was necessary to prevent him from writing in the earlier written D. D. C. subjects. Letter ordered filed for the direction of the officers.

President Thomson advised the Council that the report of the committee appointed at the last Council meeting is included in the President's report.

Moved by Dr. Mason, seconded by Dr. Magee, that Dr. Bag-nall be thanked for his letter. Carried.

The Secretary presented the petition of D. S. Howden of Moose Jaw, which petition asked for a re-consideration of his application for a class C certificate. Moved by Dr. Magee, seconded by Dr. Allan, that no action be taken in the case of the petition of D. S. Howden for a class C certificate. Carried.

The case of Dr. P. C. Hughes was submitted. Moved by Dr. Allan, seconded by Dr. Mason, that the Secretary write Dr. Hughes advising him that the Council regards his advertisement as being unethical and advising him to discontinue it. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Mason, seconded by Dr. Croll, that the action taken in the cases of Lindley, Turner and Ross be approved. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Mason, seconded by Dr. Smallwood, that we meet this night at 8 o'clock. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Allan, seconded by Dr. Mason, that the D.D.C. invite a representative of the Dental Department Faculty, of each University in the agreeing provinces, to meet with the D.D.C. at the regular meetings in an advisory capacity on Educational matters of Dental nature. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Allan, seconded by Dr. Magee, that hereafter the regular reports of all officers and committees be printed and distributed to each member of the Council at least one month prior to the next regular meeting of the D.D.C. Carried.

Moved that we now adjourn. Carried.

GEORGE KERR THOMSON,
President.

W. D. COWAN,
Secretary.

Meeting of the Dominion Dental Council held June 8, 1928, at 8 o'clock.

All representatives were present, with Dr. Thomson in the Chair.

The Secretary reported that upon the resignation of Dr. Clay being received it became necessary to appoint a representative to the position of Vice-President for the purpose of signing the certi-

ificates of qualification and Dr. Magee was asked to accept the position. The sole duty was to sign two certificates which he did. The Secretary recommended that this action be approved. Agreed.

Moved by Dr. Mason, seconded by Dr. Allan, that the Constitution be amended by deleting sub-section A of section 18, and substituting the following:

"Registration as a student in Medicine or Dentistry by the General Medical Council of Great Britain."

This being an amendment to the Constitution, a vote was taken by provinces, which resulted as follows: Carried unanimously.

The motion was declared carried and the Constitution amended accordingly.

Moved by Dr. Mason, seconded by Dr. Allan, that the Constitution be amended by adding the following to section 18:

"For students commencing the study of Dentistry after January 1st, 1929, the D.D.C. will receive Matriculation into the Faculty of Arts of any Provincial University of Canada, or other approved University of equal standing. Such certificates granted by the Department of the agreeing provinces shall be submitted to the University of the province concerned for evaluation for entrance to the Faculty of Arts."

This being an amendment to the Constitution a vote by provinces was taken, with the following result: Carried unanimously.

The motion was declared carried and the Constitution amended accordingly.

Dr. Mason now called up the motion made by himself, and which reads: "After August 30, 1928, satisfactory proof to show that the applicant is a bone-fide student of Dentistry in a recognized Dental School which requires a six-year course. A six-year course is interpreted to mean six calendar years beyond Arts Matriculation based on High School Graduation. These six years must be either upon the one-five or the two-four plan. This was seconded by Dr. Smallwood on the evening of June 7th and had been set aside at the entrance of the two invited guests who were not members of the Council. Dr. Mason now called for a vote on this issue.

After some discussion the mover and seconder agreed to a wording of the amendment which changes only the date from 1928 to 1929. This being an amendment to the Constitution, a vote by provinces was taken with the following result: Carried unanimously.

The motion was declared carried and the Constitution amended accordingly.

The Treasurer submitted the Auditor's report as his report. A cash balance of \$1,748.72 was shown, and \$21,000.00 appeared as invested in Bonds.

Moved by Dr. Allan, seconded by Dr. Smallwood, that the Treasurer's report be received and discussed, clause by clause. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Magee, seconded by Dr. Smallwood, that an

accountable cheque be issued to the Treasurer to cover petty cash. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Cowan, seconded by Dr. Allan, that the amount included in the Auditor's report for accountable cheques to Drs. Magee and Whitaker be written off, the amounts having been expended. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Allan, seconded by Dr. Smallwood, that the account of the telegraph company referred to in the Auditor's report be written off. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Cowan, seconded by Dr. Magee, that the books be handed to the Auditors for final auditing after the examination is completed. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Croll, seconded by Dr. Magee, that if any Dental School in the agreeing provinces wishes to provide a course of five years with two summer sessions, which will be considered by the conference of Canadian Universities as equivalent to a year, it shall be accepted by the D.D.C. Carried.

The election of officers having been called the following were elected on the eleventh ballot:—

President.....	Dr. H. A. Croll
1st Vice-President.....	Dr. A. D. A. Mason
2nd Vice-President.....	Dr. F. T. Allen
Secretary-Treasurer.....	Dr. W. D. Cowan

Moved by Dr. Mason, seconded by Dr. Smallwood, that Dr. J. S. Bagnall be examiner in Physics, Chemistry and Metallurgy. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Mason, seconded by Dr. Allen, that Edgar W. Paul, 240 College St., Toronto, be appointed examiner in Anaesthetics. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Magee, seconded by Dr. Allen, that Dr. Cowan be a member of the Executive. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Mason, seconded by Dr. Magee, that a list be made of those who were improperly charged \$10.00 some years ago, and the Executive Committee be empowered to instruct the Auditors to strike the amount from the books. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Allen, seconded by Dr. Smallwood, that the President and Secretary be instructed and empowered to take steps to collect outstanding accounts and the debtors be notified that unless the account is paid in ninety days the debtor will lose his examination credits in the D.D.C. Carried.

Moved by Dr. Mason, seconded by Dr. Allen, that the Secretary be instructed to obtain a list of students attending college and circularize them regarding the next examination and inform them that fees must be paid prior to examination. Carried.

GEORGE KERR THOMSON,

President.

W. D. COWAN,

Secretary.

